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TRAVEL MADE EASY FOR FREEDOM OVER TEXAS PRESENTED BY TEXAS CHEVY DEALERS

The City of Houston provides timesaving tips for easy access to July 4th celebrations

HOUSTON, TX – To help festival-goers attending the FREEDOM OVER TEXAS presented by Texas Chevy Dealers, the City of Houston has developed the following easy access routes:

Specific traffic directions are as follows:

TRAFFIC GOING TO EVENT:

FROM I-45 NORTH:

- Exit left to McKinney, left on Bagby, right on Rusk to Theater District Parking.
- Exit I-10 East to Milam St. Turn right on Capitol to Theater District Parking.
- **Allen Parkway exit will be closed.**

FROM I-45 SOUTH:

- Exit Scott/Downtown to St. Joseph Parkway/Pease St. Turn right on northbound streets to Capitol, left on Capitol to Theater District Parking
- Exit at Houston/Memorial Avenue. Turn right on Memorial/Rusk to Theater District Parking
- **Allen Parkway exit will be closed.**

FROM I-10 WEST:

- Exit Smith Street. Turn right on Capitol to Theater District Parking.
- Take I-45 South exit Dallas. Left on Dallas. Dallas becomes Bagby. Right on Rusk to Theater District Parking.
- **Allen Parkway exit will be closed.**

FROM I-10 EAST:

- Exit San Jacinto/Main Street. Left on San Jacinto. San Jacinto becomes Fannin. Turn right on Capitol to Theater District Parking.
- Take I-45 South exit Dallas. Left on Dallas. Dallas becomes Bagby. Right on Rusk to Theater District Parking.
- **Allen Parkway exit will be closed.**

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FROM HWY 59 NORTH:

- Exit right on Jackson. Turn right on Congress/Franklin. Left on Milam. Right on Capital to Theater District Parking.
- Exit I-10 west to I-45 South. Exit Dallas, Dallas becomes Bagby. Right on Rusk to Theater District Parking.
- **Allen Parkway exit will be closed.**

FROM HWY 59 SOUTH:

- Exit Polk. Right on Bagby. Right on Rusk to Theatre District Parking.
- Take I-45 north to Houston Avenue/Memorial. Turn right on Memorial/Rusk to Theater District Parking.
- **Allen Parkway exit will be closed.**

FROM HWY 288:

- Merge to Hwy 59 north, take I-45 North to Houston Ave./Memorial. Turn right on Memorial/Rusk to Theater District Parking.
- Exit Polk. Left on Polk. Right on Bagby. Right on Rusk to Theater District Parking.
- **Allen Parkway exit will be closed.**

ALLEN PARKWAY AND MEMORIAL WILL BE CLOSED EAST OF SHEPHERD.

TRAVELING EAST ON ALLEN PARKWAY OR MEMORIAL, TAKE ALTERNATE ROUTES OF WASHINGTON AVENUE, WEST GRAY OR WEST DALLAS AT SHEPHERD TO THE DOWNTOWN AREA AND THEATER DISTRICT PARKING.

FOR TRAFFIC NOT GOING TO EVENT - July 4th, Sunday, 8:00 pm-11:00 pm.

The following routes are recommended after **8:00 pm** on July 4th, if you are **NOT** attending the event.

- All through-traffic should take the 610 Loop around downtown.
- To avoid lengthy delays, DO NOT TAKE I-45, I-10 OR HWY 59 THROUGH THE CENTER OF THE CITY OR HWY 288.
- A Blast of Fireworks from Walt Disney World will begin at 9:30 pm.

STREET CLOSINGS DURING THE EVENT ARE AS FOLLOWS:

July 3, Saturday, 6:30 pm through July 5, Monday, 2:00 am

I-45 off-ramps to Allen Parkway, north and south

Sabine at Memorial Drive

Walker at Bagby (I-45 North on-ramp is open)

Allen Parkway inbound at Taft

Allen Parkway at Crosby

Allen Parkway outbound at Bagby

Gillette at West Dallas

July 4, Sunday, 5:00 pm-10:30 pm

Allen Parkway inbound at Montrose (Allen Parkway feeder will be open)

Memorial inbound at Waugh

Memorial outbound at Bagby

Silver at Memorial

Sawyer at Washington

West Dallas at Crosby

BUFFALO BAYOU WATERWAY CLOSINGS DURING THE EVENT ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Capitol Bridge to Studemont

NO ACCESS – FIREWORKS FALLOUT AREAS

On Sunday, July 4th, no vehicles or pedestrians may be in the designated fireworks fallout areas from 5:00 pm – 10:30 pm in the Memorial Drive area bounded by Montrose/Studemont to Sawyer Bridge. The Sabine Bridge will be closed to pedestrian traffic from 9:00 pm – 10:00 pm.

NO VEHICLES WILL BE ALLOWED TO PARK IN THE AREA ON JULY 4 FROM 6:00 AM – 10:30 PM.

NOTE: No parking on freeways or freeway shoulders will be strictly enforced.

For event information and updated traffic and parking information, call *Houston Chronicle InfoSource* (713) 220-2000 Access Code F-L-A-G (3524) or visit our Official Web site www.houstonspecialevents.org.

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